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SUBJECT: VERBATIM TRANSCRIPT OF THE SECRETARY'S
MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER WU, APRIL 28,
1984, GREAT HALL OF THE PEOPLE, 5:30-6:35 PM

1. SECRET--ENTIRE TEXT

2. SECRETARY SPULTZ MET WITH CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER
WU XUEQIAN AT 5:30 PM, APRIL 28, IN THE GREAT HALL OF
THE PEOPLE, BEIJING. IN ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING
WERE:

U.S. PARTICIPANTS:

- SECRETARY SPULTZ
AMBASSADOR PUMMEL
PAUL VOLFCWITZ
RICHARD APPITAGE
GASTON SIGUR
JOHN HUGES
RONALD ANDERSON
CHARLES FREEMAN
RAYMOND SFITZ
VIVIAN CFANG, INTERPRETER
EVANS PEYPER, NOTETAKER
DONALD CAMP, NOTETAKER

CHINESE PARTICIPANTS:

- WU XUEQIAN, STATE COUNCILLOR AND MINISTER OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS
- ZHANG YENJIN, PRC AMBASSADOR TO THE US
- HAN XU, VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
- ZHU QIZHEN, ASSISTANT MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
- QI PUAIYUAN, DIRECTOR OF THE INFORMATION DEPARTMENT,
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
- ZHANG WEIPU, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE AMERICAN AND
OCEANIAN DEPARTMENT, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN
AFFAIRS
- LI BACCHENG, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE AMERICAN AND
OCEANIAN DEPARTMENT, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN
AFFAIRS
- WANG LI, DIVISION CHIEF OF THE AMERICAN AND OCEANIAN
DEPARTMENT, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
- INTERPRETER
- TWO NOTETAKERS

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3. A VERBATIM TRANSCRIPT OF THE MEETING FOLLOWS:

SECRETARY SHULTZ: WE'RE AT SOMETHING OF A TURNING POINT IN OUR RELATIONSHIP.

F.M. WU: YOU'VE COME TO THE GREAT WALL.

SFULTZ: YES, I CAN ASSURE YOU IT'S STILL THERE. IT'S MOST IMPRESSIVE. IT'S AMAZING THAT YOU CAN CONSTRUCT SUCH A STRUCTURE WITH SUCH VALLEYS AND HEIGHTS.

WU: I UNDERSTAND THAT FROM SATELLITES THE GREAT WALL IS ALSO VISIBLE TO THE NAKED EYE. IT IS THE ONLY MAN-MADE OBJECT ON EARTH THAT CAN BE SEEN FROM SPACE.

SFULTZ: SO I UNDERSTAND. IT IS VISIBLE FROM THE SPACE SHUTTLE AND YOU CAN SEE IT BECAUSE IT'S SO LARGE.

WU: WE'VE TAKEN SPECIAL MEASURES TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU COULD COME BACK IN SUCH A SHORT TIME SINCE THERE ARE SO MANY TOURISTS. NOW WE ARE BUILDING A NEW ROAD IN BEIJING COUNTY WHICH IS ALSO VERY BEAUTIFUL.

SFULTZ: (REFERRING TO THE NEW ROAD TO THE GREAT WALL)
YES, THE ROAD WILL BE STRAIGHTMED CUT, I UNDERSTAND, AND WON'T WIND AROUND SO MUCH.

WU: NO, I'M TALKING ABOUT ANOTHER ROAD IN THE NORTHEAST PART OF BEIJING MUNICIPALITY.

WE SHOULD START WORK. WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME.

SFULTZ: WE HAVE TO STOP AT 6:30 IN ORDER TO GET TO THE RECEPTION.

WU: [REDACTED]

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WU: NOW WE'LL TURN TO THE FORMAL PART OF THE MEETING.
 I'D LIKE TO HAVE YOUR VIEWS ON HOW TO PROCEED.

SCHULTZ: THERE ARE QUITE A WIDE VARIETY OF MATTERS--

SOME FOREIGN POLICY QUESTIONS, SOME HAVING TO DO WITH

LATERAL MATTERS.

ON THE FOREIGN POLICY SIDE, I THINK THE MOST PERTINENT
 ONE IS KOREA. WE HAVE SOME THOUGHTS ON THAT AND I KNOW
 YOU DO TOO. I THINK WE SHOULD TAKE WHATEVER TIME IS
 NECESSARY ON THIS QUESTION.

WE KNOW THAT THE GENERAL SECRETARY (HU YAOBANG) IS
 PLANNING TO TAKE A TRIP TO KOREA AND AS YOU KNOW I TOLD
 YOU THAT I WOULD BE GOING TO KOREA BRIEFLY AFTER LEAVING
 HERE. THEN I WOULD REJOIN THE PRESIDENT'S PARTY.

SECOND, THE PREMIER [REDACTED] AND
 SUGGESTED THAT WE DISCUSS THE MIDDLE EAST. WE WOULD
 WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THAT PROBLEM.

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THIRD, SOME COMMENTS WERE MADE AT VARIOUS MEETINGS--
 INCLUDING THIS MORNING--ABOUT THE SOUTH AFRICAN SITUATION.
 IT'S A VERY COMPLICATED PROBLEM AND WE'D BE
 GLAD TO GIVE YOU OUR VIEWS. IT'S ONE OF THOSE SITUATIONS
 WHERE THERE'S CLEARLY PROGRESS BUT YOU HAVE TO
 KEEP YOUR FINGERS CROSSED. WE HOPE THAT PROGRESS CAN
 CONTINUE, BUT WE WANT TO KEEP YOU AWARE OF THE
 SITUATION.

DON'T KNOW THAT WE HAVE MUCH TO ADD ABOUT KAMPUCHEA.
 HAD A VERY GOOD VISIT WITH PRIME MINISTER PREM.
 FOREIGN MINISTER SITTEL WAS WITH HIM--JUST A FEW DAYS
 AGO. WE'RE CONTINUING OUR EFFORTS TO HELP THE THAI'S
 AS WELL AS OTHER THINGS YOU'RE AWARE WE'RE DOING WHICH

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WE'VE EXPANDED A BIT. I HAVE A COUPLE OF THINGS I'D
LIKE TO CALL TO YOUR ATTENTION BY WAY OF CENTRAL
AMERICA--SOME EVENTS THAT ARE COMING UP AND MAY HAVE
A IMPACT ON THE SITUATION THERE.

FINALLY, ON INTERNATIONAL ISSUES, THE SUBJECT OF ARMS
CONTROL IS ONE THAT HAS COME UP IN EACH MEETING.
THERE'S NO POINT IN OUR GOING THROUGH EVERY FORUM
WHERE WE'RE DISCUSSING THIS ISSUE, BUT IF YOU'RE
INTERESTED IN DOING SO, I SUGGEST WE CAN COME UP WITH
& PROCEDURE TO DISCUSS THIS ON A REGULAR BASIS. WE
HAVE A SUGGESTION ON THAT.
ON BILATERAL ISSUES, THE PREMIER CAME UP WITH A FEW
POINTS--SUCH AS GSF--AND WE CAN TALK ABOUT THAT A LITTLE
BIT. HE ALSO RAISED THE QUESTION OF EXIM CREDITS AND
WE CAN DISCUSS THAT FURTHER.

BYOND THAT, I'D LIKE TO CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO SOME
PROBLEMS IN THE CONSULAR AREA AND WE HAVE SOME PERPETUAL
PROBLEMS WITH HUANG PONDS. WE HAVE DISCUSSED THIS
MANY TIMES AND WE UNDERSTAND YOUR POSITION, BUT WE CAN
RAISE THAT.

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THESE ARE THE AREAS WE'D LIKE TO DISCUSS.

WU: BASICALLY, I AGREE TO WHAT YOU SAID AND WE HAVE
SEVERAL ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO ADD. WE ALSO HAVE SEVERAL
BILATERAL ISSUES TO RAISE.

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SHALL WE START FROM THE QUESTION OF KOREA AND SEE HOW
MANY QUESTIONS WE CAN TOUCH TODAY AND THEN WE CAN
FINISH TOMORROW.

SPULTZ: WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO BEGIN?

WU: YES.

— SPULTZ: FIRST OF ALL, LET ME SAY THAT WE BELIEVE THAT
OUR FORCES IN KOREA HAVE A STABILIZING EFFECT AS HAVE
OUR FORCES IN JAPAN.

— WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF WITHDRAWING THEM UNDER THE
PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES. IT WAS HARD TO UNDERSTAND THE
(COMMUNIST PARTY) GENERAL SECRETARY'S COMMENTS AT THE
END OF THE MEETING AND I DON'T THINK HE WAS EXPECTING
US TO DO ANYTHING CONCRETE IN THE NEAR FUTURE. BUT I
WANTED TO SAY THAT THE QUESTION OF WITHDRAWING OUR
OPERATIONS IN THE NEAR FUTURE IS NOT AN OPERATIVE QUESTION.

— I'M SURE WE DO AGREE THAT IT'S A TENSE SITUATION AND
AS A STARTING POINT FOR OUR DISCUSSIONS, I KNOW WE BOTH
WANT TO SEE TENSIONS REDUCED. AS THE PRESIDENT SAID,
HE WAS IN KOREA AND VISITED THE DMZ AND YOU CAN ALMOST
FEEL THE TENSION. I IMAGINE YOU'VE PROBABLY BEEN THERE
YOURSELF. IT'S AN UNDESIRABLE SITUATION, I'M SURE
YOU'LL AGREE.

WE STRUGGLED VERY HARD WITH OUR SOUTH KOREAN FRIENDS
AFTER THE MURDER OF VARIOUS MEMBERS OF THEIR GOVERNMENT
IN RANGOON IN ORDER TO PERSUADE THEM THEY SHOULDN'T
RETALIATE AND START SOMETHING THAT MIGHT TURN INTO A
GENERAL CONFLAGRATION. WE'RE HAPPY THAT THEY DIDN'T
DO THAT BUT FEAR ONLY ILLUSTRATES THAT WE MUST CLOSELY
PAY ATTENTION TO THE SITUATION.

IT'S HARD TO RELAX TENSIONS IF PEOPLE WON'T TALK TO
EACH OTHER. THAT'S WHY BOTH OF US HAVE BEEN TRYING TO
FIND A FORMULA. I SUPPOSE WE AGREE THAT THE BEST THING
THAT COULD HAPPEN WOULD BE FOR BOTH SIDES TO TALK TO
EACH OTHER, BY TELETYPE. THE REASON WHY WE RESIST
THE TRIPARTITE FORMULA IS THAT IT SEEMS TO COME FORWARD

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FROM NORTH KOREA IN THE SPAN OF THE U.S. AND CHINA'S WANTING
TO TALK WITH THE U.S. AND BEING WILLING TO PERMIT SOUTH
KOREA TO SIT IN. IT PUTS THEM DOWN IN A WAY THEY WON'T
ACCEPT. AND WE AGREE. I FIND THAT, THE AGENDA THAT
INT TO MAKE THE CENTERPIECE FOR DISCUSSION ESSENTIALLY
. AS TO DO WITH A TRUCE WITHDRAWAL. INSTEAD, OF THE TALKS
BEING A VEHICLE FOR THE TWO SIDES TO TALK TO EACH
OTHER. AT THE SAME TIME, WE CAN UNDERSTAND WHY YOU
MAY BE RELUCTANT TO SEE A STRUCTURE WHEREBY THE U.S.
AND CHINA WERE SITTING BEHIND THE TABLE URGING THE
TWO SIDES TO TALK. WE CAN SEE THAT DIFFICULTY, BUT
IT COULD ALSO HELP NEGOTIATIONS PROCEED ON. AT ANY
RATE, THESE ARGUMENTS WHICH COULD BE SAID TO INVOLVE
THE SHAPE OF THE TABLE SHOULDN'T BE ALLOWED TO STOP
DOING THINGS THAT COULD REDUCE TENSION. WE SHOULD TAKE
ACTION TO AVOID THIS:

WE THINK OF THREE CATEGORIES WHICH MIGHT BE PUSHED A
LITTLE AND WHICH MIGHT HAVE THE EFFECT OF REDUCING
TENSION AND MIGHT EVEN LEAD TO FULLER DISCUSSIONS. ONE
CATEGORY HAS TO DO WITH THE OLYMPIC GAMES. WE HAVE OF
COURSE BEEN DEALING WITH NORTH KOREA IN TERMS OF THE
GAMES IN LOS ANGELES. THERE IS A PROPOSAL WHICH I
SUPPOSE WON'T MATERIALIZE BY SUMMER. THIS IS THE

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PROPOSAL TO FAVF JOINT OLYMPICS IN THE TWO KOREAS. THIS IS A VERY INTERESTING IDEA. CHINA SHOULD CONSIDER TELLING NORTH KOREA HOW IT FEELS ABOUT OLYMPIC MATTERS AND THE U.S. SHOULD CONSIDER TELLING SOUTH KOREA HOW IT FEELS ABOUT THE OLYMPICS. THIS COULD HELP THE TWO SIDES.

THE SECOND CATEGORY HAS TO DO WITH THE HUMAN DIMENSION OF THE DIVISION OF THE KOREAN PENINSULA--THAT IS, CORRESPONDENCE AND VISITS BETWEEN FAMILY MEMBERS. WE HAVE NOTED AND WELCOMED VERY MUCH YOUR DECISION TO PERMIT FAMILY EXCHANGES AMONG FRENCH KOREANS. WE HAVE TAKEN STEPS OURSELVES SO THAT WE DON'T RESTRICT PRIVATE AMERICAN CITIZENS FROM VISITING NORTH KOREA. THERE HAVE BEEN AMERICANS THAT HAVE VISITED NORTH KOREA. THIS IS GOOD IN HUMAN TERMS IN ITS OWN RIGHT. BUT IT SEEMS THAT WE SHOULD ENCOURAGE THE TWO KOREAS TO ALLOW MORE CONTACT BETWEEN PEOPLE ON BOTH SIDES, BEGINNING WITH CORRESPONDENCE. AFTER THAT, THEY COULD PERHAPS BEGIN TO VISIT. THIS WOULD BE VERY CONSTRUCTIVE. SOUTH KOREA HAS PROPOSED THIS REPEATEDLY BUT HASN'T OBTAINED A POSITIVE RESPONSE.

THE THIRD THING, THE LAST THING IS MORE FORMAL. THERE IS A MILITARY ARMISTICE COMMISSION. WE DON'T HAVE TO ARGUE WHETHER IT EXISTS OR NOT; IT DOES EXIST. IT'S A MEANS OF DISCUSSION. WE THINK DISCUSSION OF SOME THINGS IN THE COMMISSION WOULD BE CONSTRUCTIVE. WE HAVE TO DISCUSS CONFIDENCE-BUILDING MEASURES AND SOME OF THESE THAT ARE ALREADY ON THE TABLE ARE:

- 1) MUTUAL NOTIFICATION OF MILITARY EXERCISES;
- 2) EXCHANGE OF OBSERVERS AT MILITARY EXERCISES;
- 3) EFFORTS TO MAKE A MORE GENUINE DEMILITARIZATION OF THE DMZ. AS YOU KNOW, THE DMZ IS SUPPOSED TO BE DEMILITARIZED BUT IN FACT IT IS NOT. AND,
- 4) USE OF A NEUTRAL NATIONS SUPERVISORY COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE INCIDENTS IN THE DMZ.

None of these are earth-shaking, but if they were agreed upon or if one or two were agreed upon, it would be helpful.

So these are some thoughts about the situation in Korea. We agree with you that it's a very tense and unsatisfactory situation on the peninsula and we should do what we can to reduce tensions.

WE: THANK YOU

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SUULTZ: I HAVE TWO THINGS I'D LIKE TO RAISE IF I COULD.
I HAVE TWO LETTERS I'VE BEEN ASKED TO DELIVER: ONE
TO A SENATOR AND ONE FROM A CONGRESSMAN. THEY HAVE
TO DO WITH THE PROBLEMS OF [REDACTED]. I WILL PASS
THIS ALONG WITH MY ENDORSEMENT. BUT ANYWAY I'M
PLAYING THE POSTMAN.

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MEAT TIME DO WE MEET TOMORROW MORNING?
SUULTZ: WE'LL MEET AT 8:30.

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② RU: IS THAT TOO FARLY?

SHULTZ: NO.

ZU: WHERE WIL WE MEET?

FREEMAN: DIAOYUTAI.

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